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LETTER DATED 16 OCTOBER 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to present to you the attached letter, dated 15 October 1992, from the Acting President of the Presidency of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, H.E. Mr. Ejup Ganic.

May I ask for your kind assistance in circulating the letter as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Muhamed SACIRBEY
Ambassador and
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Annex

Letter dated 15 October 1992 from the Acting President of the Presidency of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina addressed to the President of the Security Council

The troops of the former Yugoslav People's Army which are now withdrawing from the Dubrovnik region and the Prevlaka Peninsula, were to withdraw under supervision of UNPROFOR observers. As you have already been informed, UNPROFOR observers were not permitted to monitor the withdrawal, as previously agreed at the Geneva session of the London Conference. These troops are now entering the territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina in the direction Trebinje-Gacko-Gorazde directly north of Dubrovnik, and in the direction of Stolac, north-west of Dubrovnik.

Excellency, the aggressor is deviously using every mechanism including the diplomatic process itself to continue and intensify its violent campaign in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Furthermore, the aggressor has intensified its use of helicopters for the transfer of troops and ammunition. Security Council resolution 781 (1992) prohibits all military flights over the territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina, including the use of helicopters.

Excellency, the Belgrade regime will not keep any of its promises nor obey any of the Security Council resolutions until the international community is committed to hold Belgrade to its word on the agreements it accepts and until the Security Council begins to enforce its resolutions.

The aggressor has so far broken all of the promises made to this body and many others at the London Conference six weeks ago. Most recently, Belgrade accepted two accords: the Cosic-Tudjman Agreement and Security Council resolution 781 (1992).

It is quite evident that the aggressor has already circumvented both of the latest agreements. The international community must finally act decisively in the former Yugoslavia, and refuse to allow itself to be used as a devious tool of aggression and "ethnic cleansing".

Otherwise, the Geneva session of the London Conference will simply become a footnote in history, a footnote which will describe a shameful and terrible failure, an abdication of responsibility by the Security Council.

(Signed) Ejup GANIC
Acting President